CHAPTER 104.

TOWN OF GLADBROOK.

S. F. 496.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of the incorporated town of Gladbrook, Iowa, in voting to purchase or erect an electric light and power plant in said town and as a part thereof, a transmission line from the incorporated limits of said town to a junction with the high potential transmission line of the Iowa Railway and Light Company extending between the towns of Marshalltown and Tama; to issue the bonds of said town in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of procuring funds for the purchase or erection of such light and power plant and transmission line; and to sell such plant to the Iowa Railway and Light Company.

WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of November A. D. 1914, there was submitted to the town council of the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, a petition signed by the majority of the qualified electors of said town, requesting said council to submit to the qualified electors of the town of Gladbrook, Iowa the question of the contracting of an indebtedness of the said town in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of procuring money with which to erect or purchase in the town of Gladbrook, an electric light and power plant, to consist of an overhead transmission and distribution system, for the transmission of electric current throughout said town, for light, heat, power and other purposes, and of a high potential transmission line from said town to a junction with the high potential electric transmission line of the Iowa Railway and Light Company, now extending from the city of Marshalltown, Iowa to the city of Tama, Iowa, said high potential transmission line to be used for the purpose of conducting electric current from the said line of the Iowa Railway and Light Company to the overhead distribution system of the said town of Gladbrook. And.

Whereas, pursuant to the said petition, and pursuant to section 1306-d of the code supplement of 1907, the town council of said town, at the next regular meeting of said council, held upon the 2nd day of November A. D. 1914, did by resolution, call such election for the purpose of submitting such question to the qualified voters of such town, fixing the time and place of holding such election but did not in such resolution, state the polling places and

WHEREAS, at such election held upon the 7th day of December, A. D. 1914, the said town council did submit to the qualified electors of the said town of Gladbrook, Iowa, the question as to whether or not the said town should incur an indebtedness in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of procuring funds for the purchase or erection of such electric light and power plant, and transmission line, and

WHEREAS, at such election the said town council did also submit to the voters of said town, the proposition as to whether or not the said incorporated town should purchase or erect an electric light plant to consist of an overhead distribution system within such town and a high potential transmission line from the incorporated limits of said town to a junction with the high potential transmission line of the Iowa Railway and Light Company, extending between the cities of Marshalltown and Tama, Iowa, and

Whereas, at said election, the said town council did also submit to the voters of said town the proposition as to whether or not the said town should sell said plant if purchased or erected to the Iowa Railway and Light Company, which three said propositions as they appeared upon the official ballot at said election, were as follows, to wit:

First. Shall the incorporated town of Gladbrook contract an indebtedness in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) which said indebtedness together with the present indebtedness of said town will be in excess of one and one-quarter (1½) per centum of the actual value of the taxable property of the said town of Gladbrook, as ascertained by the last state and county tax list; said indebtedness to be contracted for the purpose of procuring money with which to erect or purchase in the town of Gladbrook, an electric light and power plant to consist of an overhead transmission and distribution system for the transmission of electric current throughout said town, for light, heat, power and other purposes, and of a high potential transmission line to Iowa Railway and Light Company, now extending from the city of Marshalltown, Iowa, to the city of Tama, Iowa, said high potential transmission line to be used for the purpose of conducting electric current from the said line of Iowa Railway and Light Company to the overhead distribution system of said town of Gladbrook.

Second. Shall the incorporated town of Gladbrook purchase or erect an electric light plant, said plant to consist of an overhead transmission and distribution system for the transmission of electric current for light, heat, power and other purposes, throughout the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, and of a high potential transmission line from the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, to a junction between said line, and the high potential transmission line of Iowa Railway and Light Company, extending between the city of Marshalltown, Marshall county, Iowa, and the city of Tama, Tama county, Iowa, and the other standard modern equipment necessary to be used in receiving and transmitting electric current from the said high potential line of Iowa Railway and Light Company, to the distribution system in the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, and in transmitting and delivering said current over said distribution system to the various residents of said town?

Shall the incorporated town of Gladbrook sell to Iowa Railway and Light Company such electric light plant as may be purchased or erected by said town, provided the questions of the purchase or erection of said plant and the contracting by said town of the necessary indebtedness therefor, be carried by an affirmative vote of the electors of said town as required by law, at the special election to be held December 7th, 1914, and that said plant pursuant thereto be purchased or erected, said sale to be for a price equal to the actual cost of said plant to said town and upon the following terms, to wit: The said Iowa Railway and Light Company to pay said sums in installments equaling in amount and upon the same dates and with like interest as the said town may obligate itself to pay upon the bonds issued by said town in procuring funds for the erection of said plant, provided that if the purchase price exceeds the amount of said bonds, the excess shall be due and payable upon the date upon which the last of said bonds become due and payable. And,

Whereas, in the notice for the calling of election, it was provided that the election should be held upon the 7th day of December, 1914, in the usual polling place, which said usual polling place in said town was, and for many years had been, the town hall of the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such notice, such election was held on the date mentioned in said resolution and in said notice, and at said town hall of the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, and there was cast upon each of the said propositions, the following vote, to wit:

Upon the first of said propositions above set forth, there were two hundred fifty-four (254) ballots cast, of which sixty-two (62) were cast by females, and of said vote there were cast in favor of the issuance of said bonds, the votes of one hundred seventy-six (176) males, and (62) females, making a total of two hundred thirty-eight (238) votes cast in favor of the issuance of said bonds. Against the issuance of said bonds there were cast the votes of eight (8) males; and there were eight (8) spoiled ballots. Said proposition for the issuance of said bonds was duly carried by a majority of two hundred and thirty (230) votes.

Upon the second of said propositions, there were two hundred and two (202) ballots cast of which one hundred eighty-nine (189) were cast in favor of said proposition, and thirteen (13) were cast against said proposition, and said proposition was carried by a majority of one hundred seventy-six (176) votes.

Upon the third of said propositions, there were two hundred (260) ballots cast, of which one hundred and eighty-one (181) were cast in favor of said proposition, and nineteen (19) were cast against said proposition, and said proposition was carried by a majority of one hundred and sixty-two (162) votes. And,

Whereas, doubts have now been suggested and arisen as to the legality of the said proceedings and particularly as to the legality of the said resolution, calling said election, in that said resolution did not set forth therein the polling place, and as to the said notice of said election, in that said notice provided that the votes would be cast at the usual polling place, and as to the legality of submitting all three of said propositions at the same election and as to the legality of the said town selling its said electric light and power plant to the Iowa Railway and Light Company, according to the terms of said proposition, so submitted upon said ballot as stated thereinbefore, now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Election, etc., legalized. That the election held in the town of Gladbrook, Iowa, upon the 7th day of December, 1914, is hereby declared to have been a valid and legal election, the same as though the law in every respect had been strictly complied with in the form and contents of the resolution calling the same, in the form and contents of the notice of said election, and in all other respects; and the said propositions so submitted at said election are declared to have been legally carried and adopted by a majority of the qualified electors of said town, and to be of the same force and
- 10 effect in law, as though each of said propositions had been submitted

- 11 and carried at separate and independent special elections, held for 12 the purpose of voting thereupon, and the said town of Gladbrook, 13 Iowa, is hereby authorized to issue and sell its bonds in the said 14 sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of pro-15 curing funds for the purchase or erection of an electric light and 16 power plant as described in the propositions submitted upon said 17 ballot and to either purchase or erect such plant and to sell the same 18 to the Iowa Railway and Light Company, in the manner and at 19 the price and upon the terms set forth in said proposition as submitted at such election, all as fully and completely as though the 20 21 law in all things had been technically and fully complied with in 22 every respect.
- 1 SEC. 2. Publication clause. This act being deemed of imme-2 diate importance shall take effect from and after its publication in 3 the Des Moines News and Register and Leader, newspapers published in the city of Des Moines, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved April 8, A. D. 1915.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines News April 13, 1915, and in the Register and Leader April 14, 1915.

W. S. ALLEN, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 105.

PAYMENT OF WAGES BY RAILWAY CORPORATIONS.

S. F. 105.

AN ACT in relation to semi-monthly payment of wages and salaries by railway corporations and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. Semi-monthly payment of wages. Every railway 2 corporation operating or doing business in the state of Iowa shall 3 as often as semi-monthly pay to every employe engaged in its business all wages or salaries earned by such employe to a day not more than eighteen days prior to the date of such payment. Any employe 5 6 who is absent at the time fixed for payment, or who for any other 7 reason is not paid at that time, shall be paid thereafter at any time 8 upon six days' demand, and any employe leaving his or her em-9 ployment or discharged therefrom shall be paid in full following 10 his or her dismissal or voluntary leaving his or her employment at 11 any time upon six days' demand. No corporation coming within 12 the meaning of this act shall by special contract with the employes or by any other means secure exemption from the provisions of 13 this act. And each and every employe of any corporation coming 14
- 15 within the meaning of this act shall have his or her right of ac-